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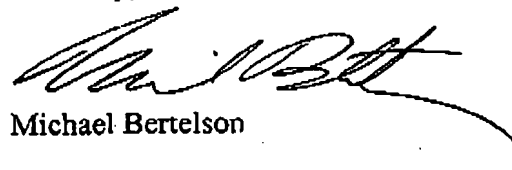
Examiner Sweet:

My clients and I look forward to meeting with you this coming Thursday, May 31 at 10 A.M. I have attached a proposed claim set of three independent claims (claims 127, 139 and 149) and a number of dependent claims that we would like to discuss with you as compared to the art cited in the March 27, 2007 Office Action. I believe that our discussion will focus on how my client's novel knee prosthesis functions with emphasis on the structures and limitations of these independent claims.

Thank you again for taking the time to meet with us. If you have any questions or concerns that I can answer prior to the meeting, please do not hesitate to contact me at 404.815.6291.

Kind regards.

Sincerely,


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